

## PRESS NOTICE

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#### FEDERAL GRAND JURY INDICTMENTS

COLUMBIA, South Carolina - - United States Attorney Reginald I. Lloyd announced today that a Federal Grand Jury in Greenville, South Carolina, returned Indictments against the following:

#### **5 INDICTED IN UPSTATE INVESTMENT FRAUD INVESTIGATION**

Five (5) people were charged in three federal indictments with wire fraud for offering fraudulent investments. The indictments are a result of an ongoing FBI investigation into scams that promote phony investment programs, promising unsuspecting investors large returns on their investments.

The defendants are alleged to have sought substantial investments in "note-trading" programs, falsely claiming that the programs existed, the investments were risk-free, and that high yield returns were guaranteed.

Charged in the case are:

David P.J. (Jim) Norman, age unknown, of Canada;

Trevor D. James, Sr., age 38, of Lawrenceville, Georgia;

Laure Huff, age unknown, of North Carolina;

Beryl Koenig, age 58, of Brighton, Colorado; and

Clifford Michael Emery, age unknown, of London, England.

The maximum penalty each defendant could receive is a fine of \$250,000.00 and/or imprisonment of twenty (20) years.

This case was investigated by agents of the Federal Bureau of
Investigation and has been assigned to Assistant United States Attorney David
C. Stephens of the Greenville Office for prosecution.

#### **DARRYL BRADLEY SEGRAVES**

DARRYL BRADLEY SEGRAVES, age and address unknown, was charged in a two count indictment with wire fraud, a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1343.

The maximum penalty for each count is a fine of \$250,000.00 and/or imprisonment of twenty (20) years.

This case was investigated by agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and has been assigned to Assistant United States Attorney W. Walter Wilkins of the Greenville Office for prosecution.

# BEVERLY S. GONZALEZ, DEBRA J. BROOKS, JIMMY V. HOLBERT, JR., DEBRA D. RIVERA and MELINDA L. VAUGHN

BEVERLY S. GONZALEZ, age 32, DEBRA J. BROOKS, age 43, and MELINDA L. VAUGH, age 24, all of Greenville, South Carolina, DEBRA D. RIVERA, age 30, of Wellford, South Carolina, and JIMMY V. HOLBERT, JR., age 39, of Mauldin, South Carolina, were charged in a one count indictment. The indictment alleges that the defendants conspired to make and pass counterfeit checks, a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 371.

The maximum penalty for this offense is a fine of \$250,000.00 and/or imprisonment of five (5) years.

This case was investigated by agents of the United States Secret

Service and has been assigned to Assistant United States Attorney David C.

Stephens of the Greenville Office for prosecution.

#### JANIE D. ELMORE

JANIE D. ELMORE, age 60, of Woodruff, South Carolina, was charged in a one-count Indictment with embezzling money belonging to the United States, a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 641. The Indictment alleges that from May 2005 until June 2007, ELMORE embezzled money belonging to the Social Security Administration in that in that she received Social Security benefits made to her deceased mother to which she was not entitled.

The maximum penalty for this offense is a fine of \$250,000 and/or imprisonment of ten (10) years.

The case was investigated by agents of the Social Security

Administration, Office of Inspector General, and has been assigned to

Assistant United States Attorney David C. Stephens of the Greenville Office for prosecution.

The United States Attorney stated that all charges in these Indictments are merely accusations and that all defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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